

CALFRESH (CF) PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR POLICY/REGULATION INTERPRETATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete items 1 - 10 on the form. Use a separate form for each policy interpretation request. If additional space is needed, please use the second page. Be sure to identify the additional discussion with the appropriate number and heading. Retain a copy of the CF 24 for your records.

- Questions from counties, including county Quality Control, must be submitted by the county CalFresh Coordinator and may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility for the county, with a copy directed to the appropriate CalFresh Policy unit manager.
- Questions from Administrative Law Judges may be submitted directly to the CalFresh Policy analyst assigned responsibility to the county where the hearing took place, with a copy of the form directed to the appropriate CalFresh Bureau unit manager.

1. RESPONSE NEEDED DUE TO:		5. DATE OF REQUEST:	NEED RESPONSE BY:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy/Regulation Interpretation <input type="checkbox"/> QC <input type="checkbox"/> Fair Hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Other:		03/12/2015	03/25/2015
2. REQUESTOR NAME:		6. COUNTY/ORGANIZATION:	
3. PHONE NO.:		Shasta	
4. REGULATION CITE(S):		7. SUBJECT:	
63-503.325, CFR273.10(e)(2)(ii)(B), CFR273.10(e)(2)(ii)(C)		Prorated Minimum Allotment	
9. QUESTION: (INCLUDE SCENARIO IF NEEDED FOR CLARITY):		8. REFERENCES: (Include ACL/ACIN, court cases, etc. in references) NOTE: All requests must have a regulation cite(s) and/or a reference(s).	
Per ACL 12-62, page 4, Example 4 states, "Households of one or two persons that have been conferred MCE/BBCE status will be entitled to the minimum CalFresh benefit (\$16) even though the household's net income exceeds the maximum amount allowable for their household size."		ACL 12-62, ACL 14-56, 63-503.13, San Bernardino Policy Interpretation dated 1/30/13	

Question: What if the initial month's benefits are prorated? Will the applicant household still receive \$16? The ACL does not reference initial month benefits of less than \$16.

10. REQUESTOR'S PROPOSED ANSWER:

Modified Categorical Eligibility (MCE) households are entitled to receive the allotment amount indicated by the bracketed amount on the CalFresh Allotment Table for its household size.

The allotment for the initial month of certification for all households is prorated based upon the filing date.

After determining the prorated allotment, the county shall round down to the nearer lower whole dollar. If the computation results in an allotment of less than \$10, then no issuance shall be made for that month.

11. STATE POLICY RESPONSE (CFPB USE ONLY):

CDSS concurs with the proposed response. As stated in M.P.P. 63-503.13 and .132, for the initial month of certification, if the computation results in an allotment of less than \$10, no issuance shall be made for the whole month.

FOR CDSS USE

DATE RECEIVED:

DATE RESPONDED TO COUNTY/ALJ:

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